Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently amending): A vertical blind cut-down apparatus for trim cutting a vertical blind having a horizontal headrail ~~head rail~~ defining two ends, and vertical blind materials defining upper and lower ends suspended by the upper ends from the headrail ~~head rail~~, the vertical blind cut down apparatus comprising:

a headrail ~~head rail~~ holding plate having a headrail ~~head rail~~ opening formed therein for receiving the headrail ~~head rail~~ therethrough;

a cutting die for the headrail ~~head rail~~ adapted to receive the headrail ~~head rail~~ extending therethrough, and being movable relative to said holding plate for cutting one end of the headrail ~~head rail~~;

a blind holder having a blind material opening therethrough for receiving the vertical blind materials therein;

a blind cutting device moveable relative to said blind holder for cutting the vertical blind material extending through said blind holder; and

a movement transmission device for moving said cutting die and for moving said blind cutting device whereby both the vertical blind materials and the headrail ~~head rail~~ are cut.

Claim 2 (Currently amending): The vertical blind cut down apparatus of claim 1, wherein ~~the headrail defines a transverse axis and in which~~ said headrail opening in said holding plate is tilted at an angle ~~located and oriented so as to position said transverse axis of the head rail diagonal to a longitudinal axis of said holding plate~~, and ~~in which~~ said cutting die defines a cutting opening which is similarly diagonal, said cutting die being slidably moveable relative to said holding plate~~,~~ so that the headrail is cut along a linear ~~axis which is~~ diagonal direction ~~to said transverse axis of the head rail~~.

Claim 3 (Previously presented): The vertical blind cut down apparatus of claim 2, wherein said blind cutting device is slidable along a linear cutting path relative to said holder plate, and in a substantially same plane as said cutting die, said cutting device being spaced from said cutting die by a distance at least equal to said cutting path of said blind cutting device.

Claim 4 (Currently amending): The vertical blind cut down apparatus of claim 2, wherein said movement transmission device comprises a rotary shaft mounted in said ~~holder~~ holding plate, and a cam mounted on said rotary shaft for moving said cutting die a sufficient distance to sever the head rail, and including a movement transmission link connecting between said rotary shaft and said blind

cutting device, for moving said cutting device substantially simultaneously with said cutting die.

Claim 5 (Currently amending): The vertical blind cut down apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a base plate, and a lower guide channel fixed to said base plate, wherein said headrail ~~head rail~~ holding plate and said blind holder are secured to said lower guide channel, and further including an upper guide channel secured to an upper side of said holding plate.

Claim 6 (Previously presented): The vertical blind cut down apparatus of claim 5, wherein said blind cutting device is slidably received in said lower and upper guide channels, and wherein said headrail cutting die is slidably received in said lower and upper guide channels, and wherein said cutting device and said cutting die thereby slide in a common plane and are separate from one another.

Claim 7 (Currently amending): A vertical blind cut-down apparatus for trim cutting a vertical blind having a horizontal headrail defining two ends, and vertical blind materials defining upper and lower ends suspended by the upper ends from the headrail, the vertical blind cut down apparatus comprising:

a headrail holding plate having a headrail opening formed therein for receiving the headrail therethrough;

a cutting die adapted to receive the headrail extending therethrough, and being movable relative to said holding plate for cutting one end of the headrail;

a blind holder having a blind material opening therethrough for receiving the vertical blind materials therein;

a blind cutting device movable relative to said blind holder for cutting the vertical blind material extending through said blind holder; and

a movement transmission device for moving said cutting die and said blind cutting device, whereby both the vertical blind material and the headrail are cut, wherein said headrail opening in said holding plate is tilted at an angle, and said cutting die defines a cutting opening which is similarly diagonal, said cutting die being slidably movable relative to said holding plate so that the headrail is cut along a linear diagonal direction, and wherein said movement transmission device further comprises a rotary shaft mounted in said holding plate and a cam mounted on said rotary shaft for moving said cutting die a sufficient distance to sever the head rail, wherein said movement transmission device includes a movement transmission link connecting between said rotary shaft and said blind cutting device, for moving said cutting device substantially simultaneously with said cutting die, ~~The vertical blind cut down apparatus of claim 4,~~ wherein said rotary shaft carries said cam, said cam being mounted on said rotary shaft, said cam being received in an opening, said opening being formed in said cutting die, said rotary shaft moving said cutting die along a cutting die movement path, and wherein the vertical blind cut down apparatus further comprises a link arm means, said link arm means connected

to said rotary shaft~~,~~ and to said blind cutter device, for moving said cutting device through a blind cutting movement path, said blind cutting movement path being longer than said cutter die path.

Claim 8 (Withdrawn).

Claim 9 (Currently amending): The vertical blind cut down apparatus of claim 7, wherein said cam is located on an axis of said rotary shaft that is offset from a rotary axis of said rotary shaft, ~~and~~ wherein said cam has a boss mounted thereon for orbital movement, and wherein said link arm means is connected to said boss.

Claim 10 through 15 (Withdrawn).